

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, July 16, 2019)
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Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Eric Colvin
Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Commissioner John E. O'Connor
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Julie Burch, Recorder

1. WELCOME

Commissioner President Guy called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 9:01 a.m. in the Chesapeake Meeting Room, Governmental Center.

Approval of Consent Agenda

I move to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the Minutes of July 9, 2019, as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Eric Colvin, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

2. PROCLAMATION

Proclamations were presented for:

- A. William I. Abell Retirement
- B. Corporal Douglas Harris Retirement
- C. Maryland Buy Local Week

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR JULY 23 AND 30, 2019.

B. ST. MARY'S COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY - Informational BRIEF

I move to transfer \$2,439.38 from the St. Mary's County Library budget to the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office for the reimbursement of extraordinary law enforcement services and overtime expenses directly related to the library programming in accordance with the document provided to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Morgan, O'Connor

Nay: Commissioner Hewitt

C. DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE & GROWTH MANAGEMENT - St. Clements Shores Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion and Upgrade Project BRIEF

Present: Bill Hunt, Director, Dept. Of Land Use and Growth Management

George Erichsen, Executive Director, Metropolitan Commission

Daryl Calvano, Director of Environmental Health, St. Mary's County Health

Department

An overview of the comprehensive plan to upgrade the Wastewater Treatment Plant was presented.

D. DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES - Mutual Aid Agreement for Naval Air Station Patuxent River

I move to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement between Commandant Naval District Washington and St. Mary's County Government and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, O'Connor

Not Present at Vote: Commissioner Morgan

E. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY - Bethune Educational Center - Assignment of Lease and Agreement

I move to approve the Assignment of Lease and Generator Agreement related to the transfer of the Bethune Educational Center from the Board of Ed to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

F. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - Acceptance of Woodland Park Road, Swift Fox Drive, Gray Wolf Street, River Otter Drive, Snow Leopard Drive, Ringtail Drive, and Beaver Creek Drive of the Woodland Park Subdivision into the County Roadway Network

Motion 1: I move to adopt the Resolution to accept Woodland Park Road, Swift Fox Drive, Gray Wolf Street, River Otter Drive, Snow Leopard Drive, Ringtail Drive, and Beaver Creek Drive of the Woodland Park Subdivision, within the Wildewood Planned Unit Development (PUD), into the St. Mary's County Highway Maintenance System.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

Motion 2: I move to adopt the Ordinance setting a maximum speed and establishing stop intersections for Woodland Park Road, Swift Fox Drive, Gray Wolf Street, River Otter Drive, Snow Leopard Drive, Ringtail Drive, and Beaver Creek Drive of the Woodland Park Subdivision, within the Wildewood Planned Unit Development (PUD).

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

G. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - CIP Quarterly BRIEF

Present: John Deatrck, Director

An update on ongoing, upcoming and future planned Major Capital Projects was presented.

H. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - St. Mary's Transit System - Transportation Development Plan BRIEF

Present: William Sutton, Senior Transportation Planner, KFH Group, Inc.
John Deatrick, Director, Dept of Public Works & Transportation
MaryAnn Blankenship, STS Supervisor, Dept. of Public Works & Transportation

An overview of the five-year Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) Plan was presented.

4. COMMISSIONERS' TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events over the past week and provided general comments.

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: I move to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing Litigation and Personnel.

Motion by Commissioner Eric Colvin, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

5. CLOSED SESSION

A. LITIGATION

Present: James R. Guy, President
Eric Colvin, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
David Weiskopf, County Attorney
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(2) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 12:35 p.m. - 12:41 p.m.

Location: John Savich Meeting Room

Purpose: To discuss strategy in potential Litigation

B. PERSONNEL

Present: James R. Guy, President
Eric Colvin, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Catherine Pratson, Director, Dept. of Human Resources
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 12:41 p.m. - 12:42 p.m.

Location: John Savich Meeting Room

Purpose: To consider or discuss the assignment of a member of a public agency

C. PERSONNEL

Present: James R. Guy, President
Eric Colvin, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Catherine Pratson, Director, Dept. of Human Resources
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 12:42 p.m. - 12:47 p.m.

Location: John Savich Meeting Room

Purpose: To consider or discuss the assignment of a member of a public agency

D. PERSONNEL

Present: James R. Guy, President
Eric Colvin, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator

Catherine Pratson, Director, Dept. of Human Resources
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 12:47 p.m. - 1:01 p.m.

Location: John Savich Meeting Room

Purpose: To consider or discuss the assignment of a member of a public agency

MOTIONS IN OPEN SESSION

Motion 1: I move to approve Secondary Employment for the St. Mary's County Health Officer and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

Motion 2: I move to approve the Plan of Action for the County Administrator and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

6. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:15 pm.

Minutes approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on July 23, 2019

JB

Julie Burch, Senior Admin Coordinator

7. PUBLIC HEARING

Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy

Commissioner Eric Colvin

Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Commissioner John E. O'Connor (via teleconference)
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Julie Burch, Recorder

A. Department of Land Use and Growth Management - Public Hearing - Proposed Sign Ordinance

Commissioner President Guy opened the Public Hearing at approximately 6:32 p.m.

Present: Bill Hunt, Director

Notice of Public Hearing was published in *The Enterprise* on June 28, 2019 and July 5, 2019.

The proposed ordinance reflects changes in definitions and proposes new regulations for nonpermanent signs on residential property; permanent on-premise signs on nonresidential property; wall signs; digital signs; nonpermanent signs on nonresidential property used for agriculture; non conforming signs; outdoor advertising signs and permits.

Public Comments were given by:

April Mackoff, 9590 Lynn Buff Court, Suite 5, Laurel, MD 20723
Chris Longmore, 22738 Maple Road, Suite 210, Lexington Park, MD 20653
Rick Benefield, P.O. Box 70, Hollywood, MD 20636
Tom Hodges, 24179 Tom Hodges Drive, Hollywood, MD 20636

Commissioner President Guy closed the Public Hearing for public comment stating that the record would remain open for an additional seven days and closed the public hearing at approximately 7:18 p.m.

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